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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
Washington

July 16, 1957

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

SUBJECT : Status of National Security Programs on
June 30, 1957

REFERENCES: A. NSC 5611
B. NSC 5707/8

The President has directed that the departments and agencies responsible for the several national security programs prepare annually reports on the status of those programs for the information of the President and the National Security Council. As requested by the President, these reports should emphasize primarily trends as of the reporting date in comparison with the date of the preceding report (in this case, June 30, 1956) and similar dates in future years so far as they can be reasonably projected. Such trends should be expressed in terms of an integrated appraisal of the status of each program in achieving the objectives set forth in applicable national security policies, particularly NSC 5707/8. This appraisal should take into account not only developments in the U.S. program but also developments elsewhere in the Free World and in the Soviet Bloc which affect the ability of the program to achieve policy objectives. The President has further directed that each status report be as concise as possible consistent with adequate presentation.

Accordingly, it is requested that the Central Intelligence Agency, in consultation with other departments and agencies as may be appropriate, and with the assistance of the NSC Staff, submit not later than September 1, 1957, a report on the status of the foreign intelligence program as of June 30, 1957. The content of this report should follow the general lines of Part 7 of NSC 5611 but should exclude Annexes B and C.

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/s/

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Executive Secretary